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To Whom It May Concern:

I have read the proposed Microsoft settlement and am astonished that it addresses only future conduct, including no meaningful punishment for Microsoft's past illegal conduct proven during the trial phase of this case.

Microsoft has effectively driven a steamroller at 100mph through a 30mph zone, leaving crushed businesses and the bloody remains of its competitors in its wake, and the facts of that case have been proven in court.

What sane Court would let such a perpetrator go free without severe punishment, warning them only to keep to the rules of the road in the future, utterly disregarding that Microsoft accomplished its goal of clearing its competitors off the road?

Punishment must be levied on Microsoft so the competition can get back on the road _and_ back in position to succeed in the race. Microsoft must not only play fair (which it should have been doing anyway!), but must be competitively handicapped for a significant period to compensate for its illegal gains.

Gravely concerned,

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